



# Progetto ricerca di base - BLOCKCHAIN4FOODCHAIN



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## REGOLAMENTO DELEGATO (UE) 2015/1830 DELLA COMMISSIONE

dell'8 luglio 2015

che modifica il regolamento (CEE) n. 2568/91 relativo alle caratteristiche degli oli d'oliva e degli oli di sansa d'oliva nonché ai metodi ad essi attinenti

## Legal limits for oils deriving from processing of *Olea europea* fruits

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### CARATTERISTICHE DEGLI OLI DI OLIVA

Categoria	Etil esteri degli acidi grassi (EEAG) (*)	Acidità (%) (*)	Numero dei perossidi mEq O <sub>2</sub> /kg (*)	Cere mg/kg (**)	2 gliceril monopalmitato (%)	Stigmastadieni mg/kg (†)	Differenza: ECN42 (HPLC) e ECN42 (calcolo teorico)	K <sub>232</sub> (*)	K <sub>238</sub> o K <sub>270</sub> (*)	Delta-K (*)	Valutazione organolettica Mediana del difetto (Md) (*)	Valutazione organolettica Mediana del fruttato (Mf) (*)
1. Olio extra vergine di oliva	EEAG ≤ 40 mg/kg (campagna 2013-2014) (²)  EEAG ≤ 35 mg/kg (campagna 2014-2016)  EEAG ≤ 30 mg/kg (campagne successive al 2016)	≤ 0,8	≤ 20	C42 + C44 + C46 ≤ 150	≤ 0,9 se % acido palmitico totale ≤ 14 %	≤ 0,05	≤  0,2	≤ 2,50	≤ 0,22	≤ 0,01	Md = 0	Mf > 0
					≤ 1,0 se % acido palmitico totale > 14 %							

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# DETERMINATION OF ACIDITY AND PEROXIDE VALUES OF EVOO SAMPLE -REG. (UE) 2015/1830-

The **Acidity Value (AV)** determination =  
official measure of the **hydrolytic phenomena** of triacylglycerols of EVOO.  
(legal limit = 0.8% expressed in oleic acid for EVOO).

The **Peroxide Value (PV)** determination =  
official method of the **primary oxidation** of triacylglycerols of EVOO  
(legal limit = 20 meq O<sub>2</sub>/kg oil).

## EVOO sample:

Delivered on 09-02-2023 (T0)



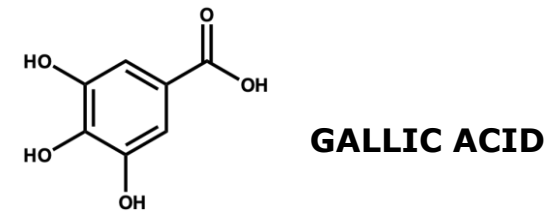
EVOO Sample – Rocca di Casalina	Peroxide value (meq O <sub>2</sub> /Kg) mean value ± SD	Olive oil acidity (% oleic acid) mean value ± SD
T0	5.9 ± 0.12	0.48 ± 0.01

# TPC (Folin-Ciocalteu spectrophotometric assay)

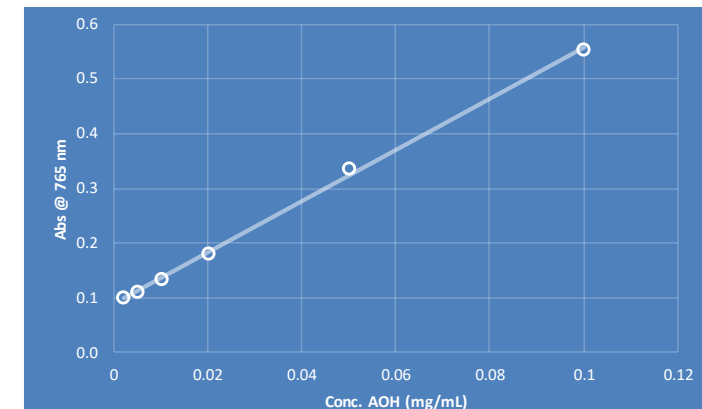
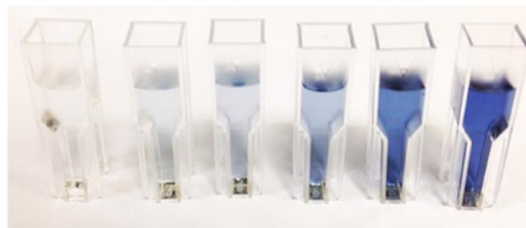
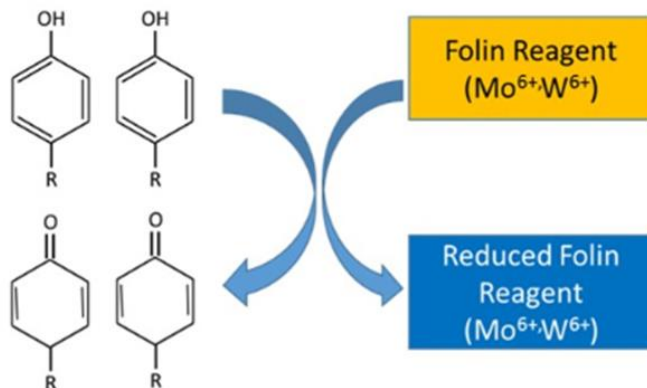
The **total phenol content (TPC)** of EVOO was determined with the **FOLIN-CIOCALTEU REAGENT**, a mixture of phosphomolibdic acid ( $\text{H}_3\text{PMo}_{12}\text{O}_{40}$ ) and phosphotungstic acid ( $\text{H}_3\text{PW}_{12}\text{O}_{40}$ ).

Phenols reduce the **Folin-Ciocalteu reagent** forming a **blue mixture of oxides ( $\text{Mo}_8\text{O}_{23}$  e  $\text{W}_8\text{O}_{23}$ )**

- ✓ The TPC values are determined from a calibration curve prepared with **GALLIC ACID standard solutions**, and the results expressed as mgGAE/kg oil.



- ✓ **The HIGHER the absorbance at  $\lambda=765$  nm, the HIGHER the TPC of the investigated extract**



calibration curve built up by using GA solutions

# Determination of Antioxidant Activity

The determinations of antioxidant properties of EVOO were carried out applying three different *in vitro* complementary spectrophotometric assays:

1. FRAP spectrophotometric assay
2. ABTS spectrophotometric assay
3. DPPH spectrophotometric assay

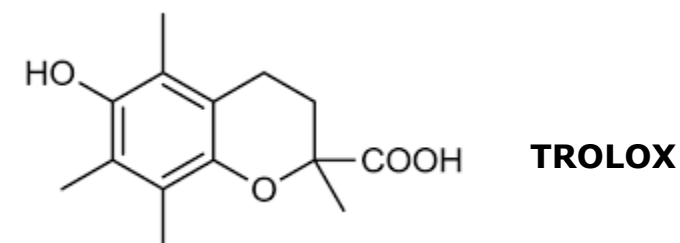
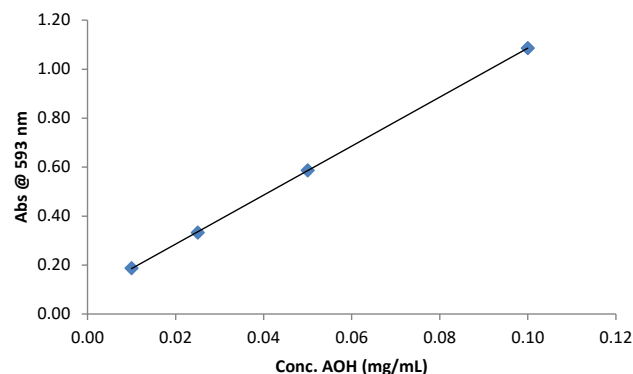
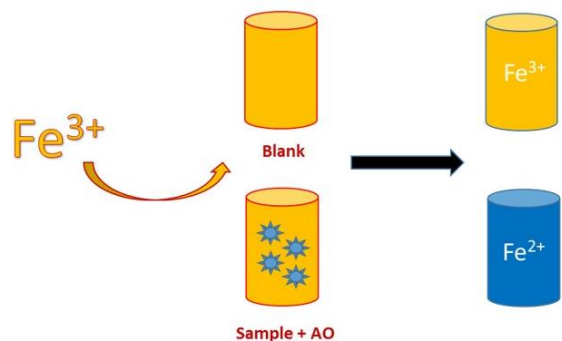
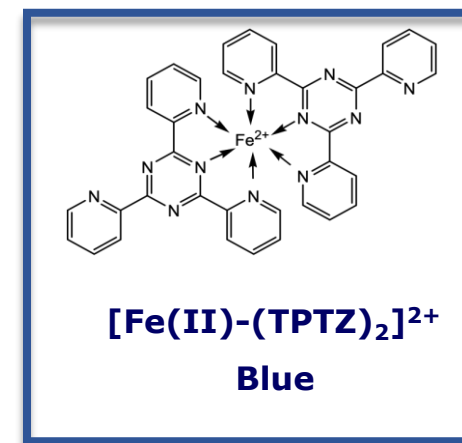


# 1. FRAP spectrophotometric assay (Ferric Reducing Antioxidant Power)

FERRIC REDUCING ANTIOXIDANT POWER (FRAP) method is based on the capacity of phenols to reduce the **Fe(III) 2,4,6-tris-(2-pyridyl)-s-triazine**  $[\text{Fe(III)}-(\text{TPTZ})_2]^{3+}$  complex to **Fe(II) 2,4,6-tris-(2-pyridyl)-s-triazine**  $[\text{Fe(II)}-(\text{TPTZ})_2]^{2+}$  complex.

✓ The values are determined from a calibration curve prepared with **TROLOX standard solutions** (results expressed as mgTE/kg oil)

✓ The **HIGHER** the absorbance at  $\lambda=593$  nm, the **HIGHER** the total antioxidant capacity of the investigated extract (from yellow to blue)



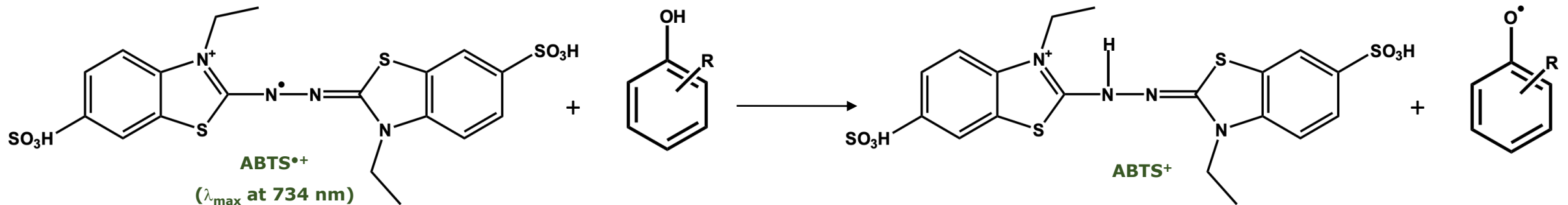
## 2. ABTS spectrophotometric assay

TROLOX EQUIVALENT ANTIOXIDANT CAPACITY (TEAC/ABTS) assay is based on the ability of phenols to act as ABTS free radical-scavenger.

The ABTS radical ( $\text{ABTS}^{\bullet+}$ ) is generated in aqueous phase by reacting a strong oxidizing agent (e.g., potassium persulfate,  $\text{K}_2\text{S}_2\text{O}_8$ ) with the **ABTS<sup>+</sup> (2,2'-azino-bis-(3-ethylbenzothiazoline-6-sulfonic acid))**.

Total antioxidant capacity values are determined from a calibration curve prepared with TROLOX standard solutions, and the results expressed as mgTE/kg oil.

### *Radical Scavenging Mechanism*



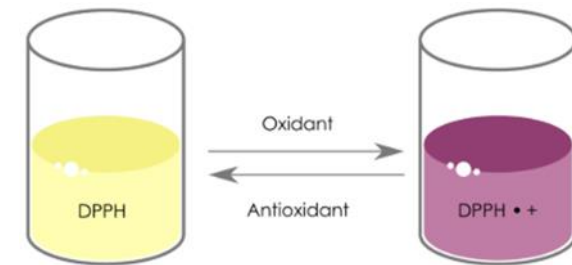
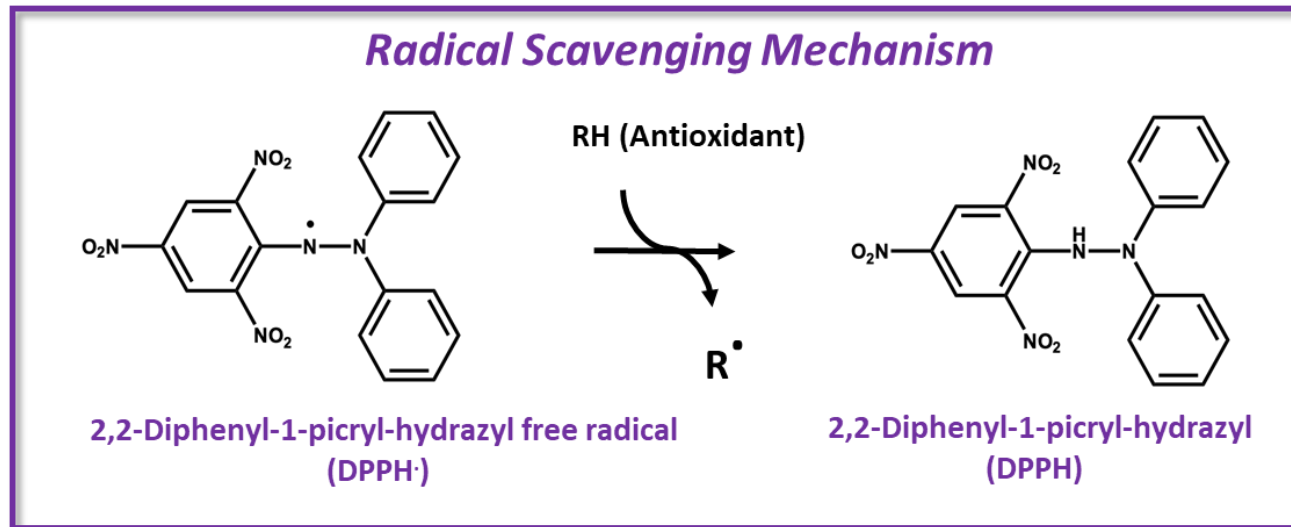
**The LOWER the absorbance at  $\lambda=734 \text{ nm}$ ,  
the HIGHER the total antioxidant capacity of the investigated extract**

### 3. DPPH spectrophotometric assay

2,2-DIPHENYL-1-PICRYL-HYDRAZYL (DPPH) free radical assay is based on the ability of phenols to act as free radical scavengers or hydrogen donors.

The odd electron in the DPPH $\cdot$  free radical produces a strong absorption maximum at 517 nm (**purple colour**).

The colour turns **from purple to yellow** as the molar absorptivity of the DPPH $\cdot$  radical at 517 nm reduces as a result of the pairing of the odd electron of DPPH $\cdot$  radical with a H atom from a free radical scavenging antioxidant to produce DPPH-H. Total antioxidant capacity values are determined from a calibration curve prepared with TROLOX standard solutions, and the results expressed as mgTE/kg oil.



**The LOWER the absorbance at 517 nm, the HIGHER the total antioxidant capacity of the investigated extract**

# Determination of TPC and antioxidant activity of EVOO sample



**EVOO sample:**  
Delivered on 09-02-2023 (T0)

Then stored in:



<b>EVOO Sample – Rocca di Casalina</b>	<b>TPC (mg GAE/kg) mean value ± SD</b>	<b>DPPH (mg TE/kg) mean value ± SD</b>	<b>ABTS (mg TE/kg) mean value ± SD</b>	<b>FRAP (mg TE/kg) mean value ± SD</b>
<b>T0</b>	179.67 ± 7.07	171.10 ± 10.38	302.67 ± 11.80	218.26 ± 1.58



## Rocca di Casalina EVOO: mix of *cultivars* (Leccino, Moraiolo, Frantoio)

Comparison with TPC of other EVOO samples

TPC mg GAE/kg	<i>Cultivars</i>	References
180	Moraiolo, Apulia (Italy)	Baiano et al., 2009
78-199	Moraiolo	Hanbook Olive oil - Springer
135	Frantoio, Umbria (Italy)	Ninfali et al., 2001
97.63–236.41 (Sicily)	Thirty mono- and multivarietal and PDO extra-virgin olive oils samples were collected from Italian producers located in different areas belonging to the harvest year 2017.	Fanali et al., 2018
268.63–509.00 (Apulia)		
171.16–573.20 (Tuscany)		
161.82–298.23 (Lazio)		
138-278	8 EVOOs (monocultivar) from Apulia	Negro et al., 2019
112-163	Carolea (Calabria, Italy)	Dini et al., 2020
70-96	Leccino (Calabria, Italy)	Dini et al., 2020
133-421	4 cultivar EVOO (Sardinia, Italy)	Tuberoso et al., 2016
158-395	2 Tunisian cultivars	Nakbi et al., 2010
112-163	Carolea (Calabria)	Dini et al., 2020
70-96	Leccino (Calabria)	Dini et al., 2020
133-421	4 cultivar EVOO (Sardegna)	Tuberoso et al., 2016
180 (T zero) 144 (6 months) 38 (12 months)	Moraiolo, Cerignola (Puglia) (STORAGE)	Baiano et al., 2009

## Rocca di Casalina EVOO: mix of *cultivars* (Leccino, Moraiolo, Frantoio)

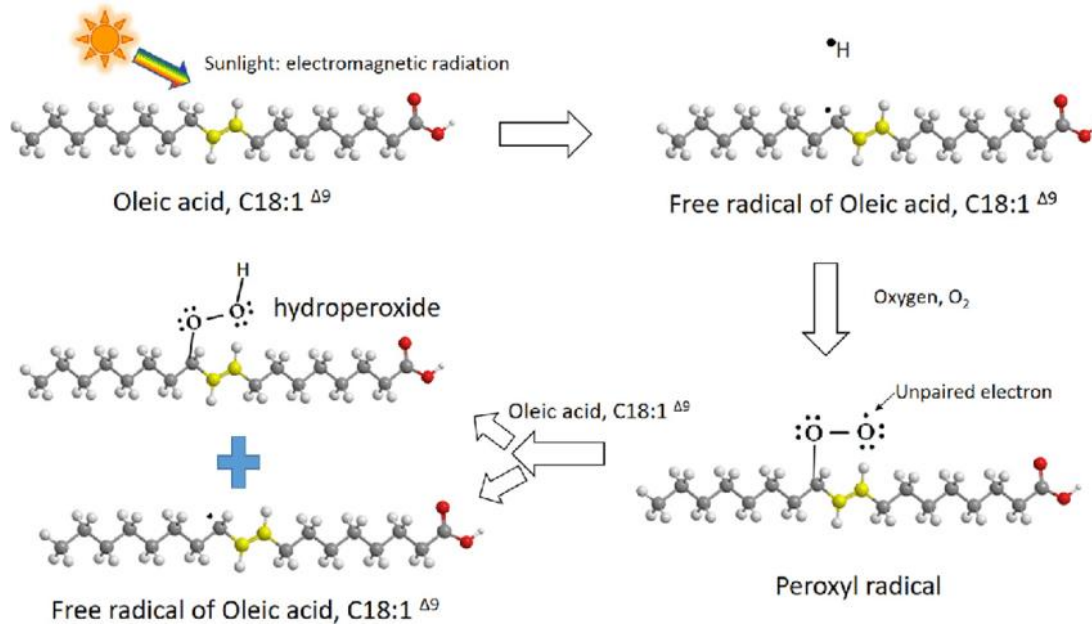
Comparison with antioxidant activity of other EVOO samples

FRAP assay mmolTE/kg	Cultivars	References
0.36-2.95	4 cultivar EVOO (Sardegna)	Tuberoso et al., 2016
0.70-2.22	Arbequina EVOO from Spain	Borges et al., 2017
0.38–1.67	Spanish monovarietal EVOO	Ramírez-Anaya et al., 2019

ABTS assay mmolTE/kg	Cultivars	References
0.46-0.76	Carolea from Calabria (Italy)	Dini et al., 2020
0.24-0.36	Leccino from Calabria (Italy)	Dini et al., 2020
0.09-1.88	Four cultivars from Sardinia (Italy)	Tuberoso et al., 2016
0.20-0.73	Arbequina from Spain	Borges et al., 2017
1.17	EVOO (Spain)	Ramírez-Anaya et al., 2019
0.61-2.42	Two Tunisian cultivars	Nakbi et al., 2010

DPPH assay mmolTE/kg	Cultivars	References
0.342-0.556	Carolea from Calabria (Italy)	Dini et al., 2020
0.266-0.388	Leccino from Calabria (Italy)	Dini et al., 2020
0.25-1.17	Four cultivars from Sardinia (Italy)	Tuberoso et al., 2016
0.52-1.58	Arbequina from Spain	Borges et al., 2017

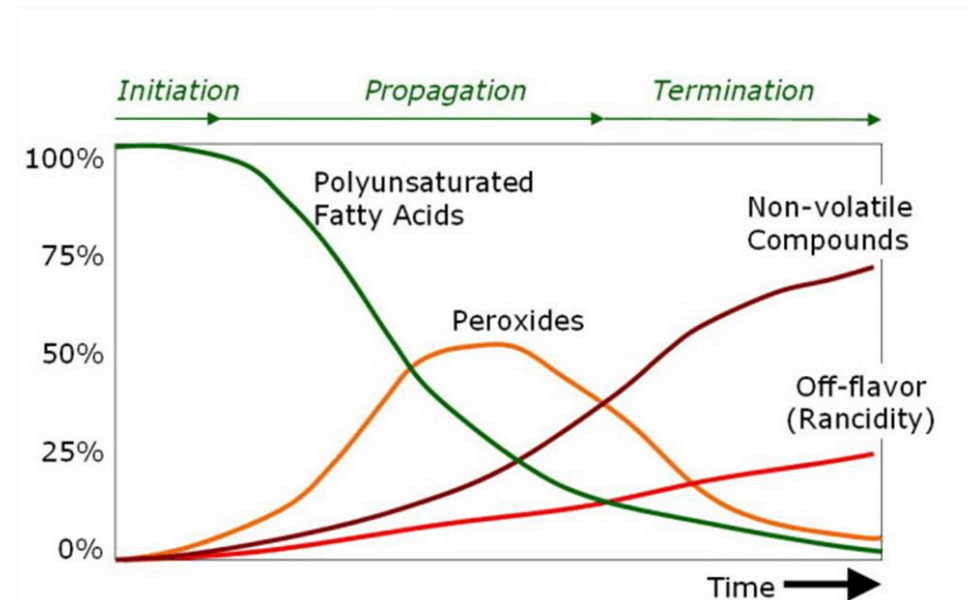
## WORK IN PROGRESS ...



## Photo-oxidation and autoxidation oleic acid and formation of peroxide



**Autoxidation:**  
initiation, propagation, termination



## NEXT STEPS ...

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**Development and application of a RP-HPLC-PDA method to characterize the phenol pool of EVOO sample, followed by confirmation *via* HRMS analysis:**

- ❖ Optimization of experimental conditions (column selection and gradient program) on a mixture of standard phenolic compounds commonly present in EVOO
- ❖ Evaluation of the phenolic profile of EVOO sample at the starting time (T0)
- ❖ Comparison of chromatographic profile with photooxidised EVOO samples (T1, T2, T3)
- ❖ Quantitative analysis of the hydroxytyrosol as the main quality marker of EVOO
- ❖ Quantitative determination of other identified phenolic compounds through the use of proper calibration curves
- ❖ Correlation studies between the results of spectrophotometric assays and the HPLC-based determinations

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**Evaluation of TPC and antioxidant properties in plasma samples obtained from patients treated with Rocca di Casalina EVOO (provided by Prof. Vaudo and Dr. Cavallo)**